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ARTS: Renowned composer Larysa Kuzmenko in Unionville

Win chance to hear your music performed

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Is there a little bit of Mozart in you?

A renowned Canadian composer is coming to Unionville for a composers workshop and 10 lucky participants will get to have their original works performed and recorded by Markham's own Kindred Spirits Orchestra (KSO).

Led by music director Kristian Alexander, the KSO is hosting the workshop with Larysa Kuzmenko, a University of Toronto music professor, at the Unionville Old Library Centre (15 Library Lane) Dec. 12 and 13.

Deadline to submit one original composition for a string orchestra no longer than five minutes is Dec. 1.

The workshop is limited to 10 active participants

and 10 auditors. Successful applicants will be notified by Dec. 5..

Ms Kuzmenko and Mr. Alexander will provide written and verbal feedback on submitted compositions to all participants, but only active participants will have their works performed and recorded.

The workshop, which will offer lectures on compositional techniques, working sessions with a violinist and roundtable discussions, is the first series of workshops that KSO will offer every year with the the orchestra's resident composers, the orchestra announced this week.

The next workshop, planned for February 2011, will feature Ms Kuzmenko's husband, Gary Kulesha, composer advisor to the Toronto Symphony Orches-

tra since 1995 and former composer-in-resident with the Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony and the Canadian Opera Company.

The workshops are open to anyone with no restriction on age or residency.

To apply by Dec. 1, submit two copies of the original score, a cheque of \$50 non-refundable application fee payable to the Kindred Spirits Orchestra, and a one-page biography and a cover letter with complete contact information by mail to: Kindred Spirits Orchestra, Composers workshop, 4981 Highway 7, Unit 8, Markham, ON, L3R 1N1.

The fees for an active participant are \$300 and for an auditor \$150.

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